

The Election for Alderman.

The election for Alderman will be held next Tuesday, the 29th, instant. There is only one candidate now in the field. Mr. H. Schwerin, Messrs. Rembert and Laughrey having withdrawn.

Wedgfield Letter.

The following true statement will give the superstitious people something to speculate upon. Some weeks ago a gentleman living two miles from town was having some wood cut. When they came to a dead pine, in splitting it, found a curious looking spot, and on examination found some human hair, two colors, light and dark; also some human nails. It was evident that an augur hole had been bored into the tree and these articles put in and a plug driven in tightly and cut off even with the outside of the tree. From the end of the peg where it was cut off to bark of tree were counted one hundred and twenty-three (123) ring marks, and it is said that each ring marks a year's growth, consequently it had been one hundred and twenty-three years since the deposit of hair and nails was made. This seems very curious, but is nevertheless true.

Several have remarked upon Mr. Isaac Harby's address, and all agree that it is in the right line. It certainly is a disgrace to this county to have some conditions which exist. For instance, let any one who would like to be informed, drive about from four or five miles from Sumter towards Wedgfield. At the big Savannah, near Capt. Richardson's, one is compelled to leave the public road for about one mile, and at the next Savannah the road winds through the field, and now since plow season has commenced the new road recently made by the public road for several hundred yards, being impassable, is being plowed up, consequently we really have no road to Sumter. It is to be hoped that something may be done to give relief and that very soon. Have been told that this land is owned and cultivated by Dr. China. Now suppose Dr. China should post his land, which would be perfectly justifiable in doing, what then? The writer has been urged to make this special complaint, and as we desire the matter improved upon, we take pleasure in doing so, with the sincere hope that some good may accrue therefrom.

The outcrop, as said by some of our best farmers, does not seem to be materially damaged by the recent freeze. It is a blessing too, for so much depends upon it anyhow, and especially this year.

A Poet's Dining was given at the residence of Mr. R. R. Singleton on the evening of the 18th instant, and all who attended enjoyed themselves immensely. Miss Betty Aycock and Mr. John Singleton were the couple who received first prize having answered correctly the largest number of questions.

Rev. D. W. Hiett preached to a large and attentive congregation in the Baptist Church last Sunday.

The installation of the Rev. David Crockard will take place in the Presbyterian Church on next Sunday.

Dr. S. C. Baker was in town last Sunday for a few hours, professionally.

Miss May S. Brown, who spent two weeks with relatives Christmas, has returned to Flat Rock.

Fulton Letter.

FULTON, S. C., Jan. 22, 1895.

As the times advance they seem to get tighter. In fact some of the unbleached population will find it hard to live through to cotton-chopping and blackberry season.

The weather has been so unfavorable that but little farm work has been done. Very few young oats have survived the last big freeze.

The present outlook around here is that the cotton acreage will be much reduced and the amount of fertilizers used comparatively small.

We are glad to report that labor is plentiful and cheap enough to give the "Most Noble Order of Do Nothings" an excellent chance of maintaining their pledges and still keep their end of the log in the swim.

Rev. Jno. Gangle, of Manning, who has been called by Calvary Baptist Church, was to have filled his first regular appointment last Sabbath.

Misses Annie James, of Bishopville, and Carrie DesChamps, of Pinewood, were visiting Miss Maude Smith, of this place last week.

Miss Mary Green, of Wisacky, is visiting at Mrs. L. H. DesChamps'.

It seems as if the County Supervisor is finding considerable trouble in this township to get good men act as township commissioners—but few being willing to place themselves in an attitude of public criticism without being paid for the work. S. B. W. G.

A Victim of the Vigilants.

O'NEILL, Neb., January 20.—The body of Barrett Scott, the defaulting treasurer of Holt County who, while out riding with his family on New Year's Day, was fired upon by a party of vigilants and, after being wounded, was dragged from his carriage, blindfolded and then placed in another vehicle and taken in a northerly direction, was found about 10 o'clock last night in the Niobrara River, about three hundred feet below the bridge on the Boyd County side, close up to the bank and in about seven feet of water. He was in his shirt sleeves, but had his watch and chain and other personal effects on just as he wore them in life. A new hemp rope, about one and one-half inches in diameter, was around his neck, and the end, about three feet long, was dangling in the water. Evidences showed that he was hanged by the vigilants before being thrown over the bridge into the water. There was a slight wound in the right side of his neck, where a bullet had grazed it, cutting through the lobe of the right ear. The body was immediately taken possession of by Coroner Hocker, of Boyd County. The credit of finding the body is largely due to the energy and enterprise of the citizens of the vicinity of Northern Holt and Southern Boyd Counties.

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UNCLE TOM'S CABIN.

Editor of The Item:

I notice that "Uncle Tom's Cabin" is to be played in the Opera House in this city next Friday night. In my view no self-respecting Southerner should attend this play. It is largely based on falsehood. It was conceived in hate towards the people of the South and written in malice. People should not thus kiss the hand that stabbed them with such a dagger.

SOUTHERN.

Editorial in Monday's Daily Item.

The advertisement that Uncle Tom's Cabin will be played in this city on the evening of the 25th instant has stirred up considerable feeling and quite a number are protesting vigorously against it. Many persons regard it as little less than an outrage that this play should be produced in a Southern town, and that Southern people who patronize the company presenting it countenance and participate in the outrage.

Such feelings may be natural, but we cannot sympathize with them. The war and the events preceeding it, have passed into history and the great majority of the inhabitants of the South can view it in no other light. They were not actors in the great tragedy and it is impossible for the young men and women of the South to have the same feelings or see with the same eyes as these who saw and felt the actual effects of the war time. Uncle Tom's Cabin belongs as much to the history of the war as the Secession Convention or the battle of Bull Run, and it is useless to attempt to deny the facts. Such being true, those who would be well informed should not only read the histories of the war written from both points of view, but they should read and consider just such books as Uncle Tom's Cabin, which aroused and excited the Northern mind and prepared the ground for the politicians who were in those days sowing the seeds of sectional hate that made the conflict possible. Uncle Tom's Cabin is a part of history, and the people of the South do not disgrace themselves nor repudiate the South's part in the war when they read the book and witness the dramatized version. They do but study history.

The opinion we entertain of the book is another thing. That the book is permeated with falsehood and steeped in malice we know. That it was written with the intention of inflaming the minds of the uninformed and self-righteous people of the North against the South we are firmly convinced, nor do we deny that the intention was successful. The book was read in every household in the North, and the dramatized version played in every hamlet; and as a result there were thousands and tens of thousands of honest, but misguided Northerners who felt that a war against the South was just and right.

There is much truth interwoven in the story, and it is told dramatically and with wonderful pathos. The truth is so welded to falsehood and malice that even in those times to deny and controvert all of the charges that blackened the institution of slavery in the eyes of the world and made it a thing of horror where it was unknown was impossible. The art displayed in the selection of characters we have often wondered at—the simple expedient of making the greatest villain, the monster, of the whole story a yankee, must have had a great influence upon those who would otherwise have hesitated to accept the statements as true. It was this seeming impartiality that made the book most dangerous. As a production of the pen the author of Uncle Tom's Cabin has cause to be proud of her handiwork. As the author of Uncle Tom's Cabin, that infamous slander of a country and its people, that inflamer of hate and sectional blood-thirstiness, the author has more crimes, more villainies, more blood, to answer for in the eternity than many of the tyrants whose names are printed in black letters on the pages of history. That the book did the South a grievous wrong we are prepared to admit, after having read it and all the facts obtainable in connection with the time and the institutions of the South. But such an admission we could not and would not have made on mere hearsay. It is best to see things as they are and not imagine them as we would have them be; and for this reason we regard it as both right and proper to witness the dramatized version of Uncle Tom's Cabin.

From The Daily Item of yesterday.

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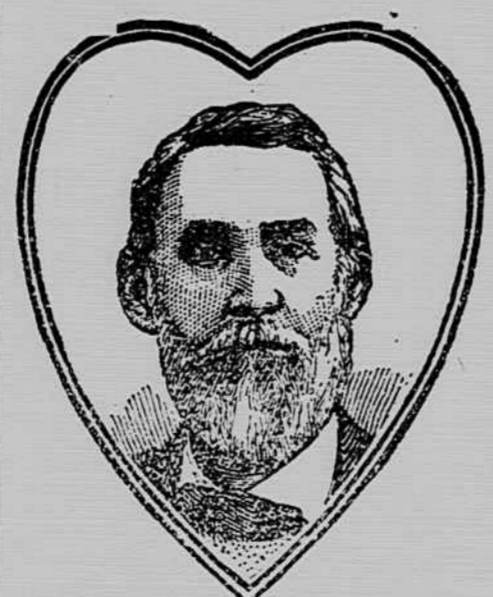
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But I suppose after all, play going is largely a matter of taste regardless of the play and so—"De gustibus non est disputandum."

H. F. W.

"H. F. W." summarizes quite pointedly and fairly the argument of our editorial, but fails to reach the conclusion we had in mind, but did not emphasize, believing it too clear to require emphasis. Uncle Tom's Cabin was infamous, but it has a place in the history of the country. It was one of the causes of the war, or at least it is claimed to have been; and, as such, those who would know history must acquaint themselves with the book and the dramatized version, which, undoubtedly, had a more powerful influence on the public mind than the book itself. It is not claimed that Uncle Tom's Cabin is history. Far from it. We believe it to be an ingenious mixture of truth, maliciously, interwoven with falsehood. Yet it is a part of history, because it affected the destiny of the country, and must be so considered. Prejudice against the book, so strong that we will not acquaint ourselves with it, does not vindicate the Old South, nor does reading it ally ourselves with our country's enemies and slanderers. When we read the story we are enabled to appreciate one of the things that inflamed the fanatical old abolitionists; when we witness the dramatized version we see what made many a Northern man believe that slavery was a barbarous institution and many of the slave owners a set of inhuman monsters. They believed the book and went to war. We do not, and should view the matter calmly and simply as an incident of the past. We have read Uncle Tom's Cabin, with care, and we have seen it presented on the stage. And we regret neither, but having seen the dramatized version once we have no desire to see it again, simply because we have satisfied ourself in regard to it. It is not a question of amusement in witnessing Uncle Tom's Cabin but of becoming acquainted with a fact that has come down to us from ante bellum days.



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MASTER'S SALE OF RAILROAD.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a Decree of the United States Circuit Court for the District of South Carolina, dated January 14th, 1895, and made in the causes entitled Alfred A. Howlett vs. The Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad Company, and the Atlantic Trust Company vs. the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad Company, the undersigned as Special Master, named in the Decree, will sell for cash at Public Auction, to the highest bidder, at twelve o'clock, noon, at the Depot of the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad in the City of Sumter, in the State of South Carolina, on the fifteenth day of FEBRUARY, A.D. 1895, the following described property of the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad Company:

All and singular the lands, tenements and hereditaments of the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad Company, wherever situated, including all its railroads, tracks, right of way, main lines, superstructures, depots, depot grounds, station houses, engine houses, car houses, freight houses, wood houses, sheds, watering places, work shops, machine shops, bridges, viaducts, culverts, fences and fixtures, together with all its leases, leased or hired lands, leased or hired railroads, and all its locomotives, tenders, cars, carriages, trucks and other rolling stock, its machinery, tools, weighing scales, turntables, rails, wood, coal, oil, fuel, equipment, furniture and material of every name, nature and description, together with all the corporate rights, privileges, immunities and franchises of the said railroad company, including the franchise to be a corporation, and all the tolls, fares, freights, rents, income, issues and profits thereof, and all the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders thereof.

The said property being more fully set out and described in and by a certain mortgage or deed of trust executed by the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad Company to the American Loan and Trust Company of the City of New York, Trustee, dated April 2nd, 1890, and also in the decree in this cause; and consisting among other things of the following railroad lines, to-wit:

All and singular the lines of railroad owned, constructed and operated by the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad Company over the following generally described route, namely: A line of railroad which extends from Pagnall Station on the line of the South Carolina Railroad, formerly known as forty-one mile station, in the County of Colleton, State of South Carolina, through Hazleville in said last mentioned county; Pecks, Holly Hill, Connors and Eutawville in the County of Berkeley in said State; Bulls and Vances in the County of Orangeburg in said State; Merriam, St. Paul, Summerton, Silver and Packsville in the County of Clarendon in said State, and to the City of Sumter in the County of Sumter, and thence through the Counties of Darlington and Marlboro, to or near Bennettsville in said County of Marlboro, in said State, a distance in all of about one hundred and twenty-one and 1-10 miles; also a line of railroad which extends from Eutawville in the County of Berkeley in said State of South Carolina, to Ferguson in the County of Berkeley, in said State of South Carolina, a distance of about six miles; also a line of railroad which extends from Vances, in the County of Orangeburg, in the State of South Carolina, through Snells and Parlers, in said last mentioned County, to Harlin City (formerly Elmore) in said last mentioned County, a distance of about eleven and two-tenths miles; and also the line of railroad known as the Gibson extension or continuation of the track and other property of the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad Company, such extension or continuation, extending from the town of Bennettsville at the former terminus of the Charleston Sumter & Northern Railroad, to a point in the State of South Carolina, near the line dividing the State of South Carolina from the State of North Carolina, the said point being about four thousand feet from the town of Gibson, in the State of North Carolina; said Gibson extension consisting of about ten 85-100 miles, and having been constructed by the Receiver of the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad, with funds of the trust estate, by orders of the Circuit Court of the United States, passed in these causes; the entire railroad lines being also gether a distance of about one hundred and forty-nine miles of railroad construction, and in active operation, under and by virtue of the charter, of the railroad company as now amended.

The said Master shall receive at such sale no bid of less than the sum of four hundred thousand dollars, and shall receive no bid from any person offering to bid, who shall not first deposit with him as a pledge, that such bidder will make good his bid in case of its acceptance, the sum of \$10,000 in money or by certified check on some responsible bank, or \$20,000, in Receiver's certificates of the Receiver, of the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad, or \$200,000 in bonds of the said Railroad Company. The deposit so received from any unsuccessful bidder, shall be returned to him when the property shall be struck down, and the deposit so received from the successful bidder shall be applied on account of the purchase price, if cash or Receiver's certificates then at par, and if bonds then at proportionate value, as further provided in this paragraph. Such further payments on the purchase price, shall be paid in cash, as the Court in this cause may from time to time direct, and the Court reserves the right to resell, in this case, the premises and property herein directed to be sold, upon the failure of the purchasers thereof or their successors, or assigns to comply within twenty days with any order of the Court in that regard, and any defaulting bidder and any purchaser who shall default, shall be liable to make good any and all expenses and any and all deficiency, or loss occasioned by the property bringing a less price at any such re-sale, and the amount so deposited by such bidder, shall be applied on account thereof. Provided, however, that the purchaser may turn in to the special Master, in lieu of cash, other receiver's certificates of the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad at par, or any coupons, bonds, or other claims adjudged to be payable out of the proceeds of the mortgaged premises, the same to be received and the bidder to be credited therefor, on account of the purchase price, to an amount equal to the distributive amount of the proceeds of sale payable as hereinafter provided on the bonds, coupons or other claims so turned in.

For all further particulars of the property to be sold, and of the terms and conditions of the payment for said property, reference is hereby made to the above named decree now on file in the Circuit Court of the United States, for the District of South Carolina, at Charleston, South Carolina, and the sale will be made subject to all the terms and conditions stated in said decree.

JAMES E. HAGOOD,

Special Master.

Charleston, S. C., January 15th, 1895.

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State of South Carolina,

COUNTY OF SUMTER.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Samuel C. C. Richardson, Plaintiff against William B. Moore, Margaret G. Lenoir, and William B. Burns, Defendants.

SUMMONS FOR RELIEF.

Complaint Served.

To the Defendants above named: You are hereby Summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office in the City of Sumter, in said State, within twenty days after the service hereof exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated August 20th, A. D. 1894. HAYNSWORTHS & COOPER, Plaintiff's Attorneys.

To the Defendant, WILLIAM B. MOORE: Take notice that the Summons and Complaint in this action of which Summons the foregoing is a copy, were filed in the office of the Clerk of the above-named Court at Sumter, in the County of Sumter and State of South Carolina, on the 26th day of December, 1894.

HAYNSWORTHS & COOPER, Plaintiff's Attorneys.

State of South Carolina,

COUNTY OF SUMTER.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

William S. Manning, Plaintiff, against William Lenoir, James Lenoir, Elizabeth Lenoir, Walter M. Lenoir, Mary B. Lenoir and Eugene W. Lenoir and Alberta L. Lenoir Defendants.

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Complaint Not Served

To the Defendants above named: You are hereby Summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which has been this day filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, for the said County, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office in the City of Sumter in said County and State, within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

December 26th, A. D. 1894. HAYNSWORTH & HAYNSWORTH, Plaintiff's Attorneys.

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